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46th WASSA Annual Conference

September 18-21, 1991

Managing for Change in Higher Education

- management and organizational changes to prepare
Summer Session to meet the future of changing
universities and the new population
of higher education.

September 18

Registration and hospitality

New Administrators Workshop

President's Reception (evening)

September 19

Executive Committee breakfast

Alexander Astin Group Center for

Research in Higher Education

Institute Presentation

1. What position the Summer Session should hold in relation to the
university infrastructure.

critical players

role and mission

-policies old and new

-power and politics

enrollment management

-university recruitment

demographics realities in higher education

2. Dynamics of the Summer Session staff in the university.

-needs of the Summer Session office

effects of new technologies

-training and development

-establishing and negotiating ancillary departmental services

3. Dynamics of the Summer Session faculty.

faculty orientation

problem faculty, aging faculty, visiting instructors

4. Dynamics of the Summer Session student.

-ethics and curriculum

-new registration systems

activities and resources

international students

research

summer student surveys

Exemplary Programs Workshop

World's Worst Art naming contest

(evening free)

September 20

Nuts and Bolts Catalog workshop

WASSA Catalog Workshop

Shopping/volleyball

Social hour (evening)

Music and dancing

September 21

NAASS Breakfast, New President Executive Committee meeting and

lunch

Found in Our Mailbox ...

... "Colleges and universities must assume leadership roles in helping the nation prepare for the challenge of keeping the United States competitive". . .

... "Demographics will be a powerful influence on higher education as conflict brews between the rapidly growing groups of aged and young ethnic populations. The youthful population will be vastly different than in the past. Colleges and universities must be active agents of change and among their lessons must be egalitarian ideals". . .

... AHigher education is facing financial difficulties due to the recession and reduced prospects for federal support. The fundamental question is, 'What kind of university do we want this to be? The answer can produce a set of meaningful commitments by which to bring about institutional change. In effect, a fiscal crisis can also be translated into an institutional opportunity' @...

... "Americans average ten different jobs during their lifetimes, each possibly requiring new skills, new knowledge, and new attitudes. They will enter and reenter higher education throughout their lives to acquire new competencies"...

From the American Council on Education *Higher Education and National Affairs*

Award Reminder

If your Summer Session has an outstanding special program this summer, you can submit it for consideration for a WASSA Exemplary Program Award. The three categories are: credit, noncredit, and

administrative.

Information and nomination forms will be mailed to all WASSA members in midJuly. Winners of these awards and others are announced at the fall meeting. If you have questions, contact **Michele Wilson**, Western Oregon State College: (503) 8388493.

WASSA Newsletter Copy Deadline

September Newsletter - August 15

Deadline Deferred

Take some time to review the knowledge you have acquired and the processes you have developed to implement change in Summer Session and share that expertise with others by writing an article (3,000 words maximum, including references) to submit to

Sharon Alexander (University of Montana) or **Ken Griffin** (University of Wyoming), coeditors for a special issue of the *Mountain Plains Adult Education Association Journal*.

A special edition is being devoted to Summer Session literature and there is still space for articles. Don't let this opportunity slip by; call Ken or Sharon immediately to reserve space and negotiate a deadline for submission.

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